

## **REMARKS**

### **Claim Rejections**

Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Shih in view of Wu. Claims 6-9 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

### **Drawings**

It is noted that the Examiner has accepted the drawings as originally filed with this application.

### **Amendments to Specification**

Applicant has amended the specification as noted above to reference the U.S. patent number of the parent application. It is believed that the foregoing amendments to the specification overcome the outstanding objections thereto. No "new matter" has been added to the original disclosure by the foregoing amendments to the specification.

### **Claim Amendments**

By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled claims 6 and 8, and amended claims 5 and 7. It is believed that the amended claims specifically set forth each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 6-9 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form. Applicant's amended claim 5 has been rewritten to include the subject matter of canceled claims 6 and 8. Claims 7 and 9 depend from amended claim 5. In the absence of any art cited against Applicant's original claims 6 or 8, it is not believed that any detailed discussion of the cited prior art references is necessary. Suffice to say that all of the claims remaining in this patent application contain subject matter against which no prior art citations have been made.

**Summary**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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